Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

<u>Listing of Claims:</u>

1-55. (Cancelled)

56. (Currently Amended) A filter for filtration and elimination of Legionella Pneumophila in any installation at risk from Legionella Pneumophila proliferation comprising:

a filter selected from the [[a]] group consisting of non woven fabric, filtering injector structures and sheets, said filter is formed from fibers cut or in monofilaments and their mixtures; each of said fibers previously treated with an antibacterial compound compounds so that the anti-bacterial compound is integrated into all of the body and core of said fiber so that the treated fibers exhibit anti-bacterial properties at temperatures above 200°C;

said anti-bacterial compound is selected from the group consisting of: silver derivatives, phenoxyhalogenate derivatives with transporters, permetrine derivatives, isothiazolinone derivatives, tetraalkylamone silicons, organozinc compounds, zirconium phosphates, sodium, triazine, oxazolidines,

isotiazolines, hermiformals, ureides, isocyanates, chlorine derivatives, formaldehydes, and carbendazime,

said <u>fibers are</u> <u>fibers being of a type</u> selected from the group consisting of:

- a) natural polymer chemical fibers which have or have not been modified,
 - b) synthetic polymer chemical fibers,
 - c) glass fibers,
 - d) carbon fibers,
 - e) other fibrous materials,
 - f) bicomponents, and
 - g) polycomponents

said filter <u>is</u> [[are]] further defined as being constructed as a sandwich; wherein said sandwich [[that]] is formed from a mixture of [[two]] non-woven fabrics; wherein the filter traps and eliminates Legionella Pneumophila.

- 57. (Currently Amended) A filter for filtration and elimination of Legionella Pneumophila in any installation at risk from Legionella Pneumophila proliferation comprising:
- a filter selected from the [[a]] group consisting of non woven fabric, filtering injector structures and sheets, said filter is formed from fibers cut or in monofilaments and their

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said anti-bacterial compound is selected from the group consisting of: silver derivatives, phenoxyhalogenate derivatives with transporters, permetrine derivatives, isothiazolinone derivatives, tetraalkylamone silicons, organozinc compounds, zirconium phosphates, sodium, triazine, oxazolidines, isotiazolines, hermiformals, ureides, isocyanates, chlorine derivatives, formaldehydes, and carbendazime,

said <u>fibers are</u> fibers being of a type selected from the group consisting of:

- a) natural polymer chemical fibers which have or have not been modified,
 - b) synthetic polymer chemical fibers,
 - c) glass fibers,

temperatures above 200°C;

- d) carbon fibers,
- e) other fibrous materials,
- f) bicomponents, and
- g) polycomponents

said filter is further defined as being constructed from a

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- 58. (New) The filter of claim 56 further comprising:

 a biocidal compound, 1-bromo-3-chloro-5.5-dimethyldantion.
- 59. (New) The filter of claim 56 wherein the antibacterial compound selected from the group is Triclosan (2.4.4'-trichloro-2'-hydroxyphenyl ether).
- 60. (New) The filter of claim 57 further comprising: the biocidal compound, 1-bromo-3-chloro-5.5-dimethyldantion.
- 61. (New) The filter of claim 57 wherein the antibacterial compound selected from the group is Triclosan (2.4.4'-trichloro-2'-hydroxyphenyl ether).
- 62. (New) The filter of claim 56 wherein said fiber is a synthetic polymer chemical fiber.
- 63. (New) The filter of claim 56 wherein said synthetic polymer

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- 64. (New) The filter of claim 57 wherein said fiber is a synthetic polymer chemical fiber.
- 65. (New) The filter of claim 57 wherein said synthetic polymer chemical fiber is polypropylene.
- 66. (New) A filter for filtration and elimination of Legionella Pneumophila in any installation at risk from Legionella Pneumophila proliferation comprising:
- a filter selected from the group consisting of non woven fabric, filtering injector structures and sheets, said filter is formed from fibers cut or in monofilaments and their mixtures; each of said fibers previously treated with an anti-bacterial compound and a biocide so that the anti-bacterial compound is integrated into all of the body and core of said fiber so that the treated fibers exhibit anti-bacterial properties at temperatures above 200°C;

said anti-bacterial compound is Triclosan (2.4.4'-trichloro-2'-hydroxyphenyl ether);

said biocide is 1-bromo-3-chloro-5.5-dimethyldantion, said fibers are synthetic polymer chemical fibers;

said filter is further defined as being constructed as a sandwich; wherein said sandwich is formed from a mixture of non-woven fabrics;

wherein the filter eliminates Legionella Pneumophila.

67. (New) A filter for filtration and elimination of Legionella Pneumophila in any installation at risk from Legionella Pneumophila proliferation comprising:

a filter selected from the group consisting of non woven fabric, filtering injector structures and sheets, said filter is formed from fibers cut or in monofilaments and their mixtures; each of said fibers previously treated with an anti-bacterial compound so that the anti-bacterial compound is integrated into all of the body and core of said fiber so that the treated fibers exhibit anti-bacterial properties at temperatures above 200°C;

said anti-bacterial compound is Triclosan (2.4.4'-trichloro-2'-hydroxyphenyl ether);

said fibers are synthetic polymer chemical fibers;

said filter is further defined as being constructed from a non-woven fabric and a component selected from the group consisting of polypropylene, polyethylene, polyester, glass fiber, steel, aluminum and foam supports; wherein the filter eliminates Legionella Pneumophila.

68. (New) A filter of claim 56 wherein said sandwich further includes a non woven fabric support.